CAIRS Advisory Group

Meeting Minutes for February 15, 2002 Meeting

<u>Attendees:</u> Steve Forster Sacramento Metro Fire Department

Larry Older Ventura County Fire Department

Joe Darrow Fresno Fire Department

Bob O'Brien Cal Chiefs / Fremont Fire Department

Ed Armitage EMS Authority Diana Cossairt OES-Haz Mat

Bob Ghiglieri CHP Joe McEnulty CHP

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ITEMS DISCUSSED

- Updated FDID Program
 - Mailing Labels
- CHMIRS Form
 - Where is it now, are we going to bring it back in NFIRS Reporting
 - ✓ OES number is currently not included on the NFIRS Reporting
 - ✓ Possibility of adding OES number to module 7 (Haz Mat module)
- Possible grant funding to get information on-line
- The possibility of creating Sub-Committees
 - ♦ Haz Mat
 - ♦ Fire
 - ◆ CHP
- NFIRS data sharing with other agencies

Diana Cossairt, Bob Ghiglieri, Joe McEnulty and Steve Forster left meeting and will meet again in possible Haz Mat sub-committee meeting.

SFM interviewing NFIRS vendors

- Grant funding to help Fire Departments get hardware and software to get online with NFIRS
- SFM is currently interviewing NFIRS vendors
 - ♦ All the various services that the vendors offer
- The SFM will collect NFIRS data and use the Federal Client Tool if our funding does not get passed
- Standardizing data extracts
 - ♦ Statistical reporting needs
- Will there be consequences for not reporting NFIRS?
 - Explore ways to improve participation for Fire Departments who do not report NFIRS
- □ SFM needs to offer more workshops
 - ♦ Address the needs of all Fire Departments, large and small
- SFM is exploring Fire Officer Certification for Fire Departments who report NFIRS
- Fire Grants
 - Only the Fire Departments that plan to report NFIRS may receive the funding
- Approach other organizations to help "get the word out" to Fire Departments regarding NFIRS reporting
 - ♦ Fire Prevention Officers
 - **♦ Training Officers**
 - ◆ Cal Chiefs
- National Fire Academy (NFA) says they prioritize training applications giving preference to departments that report NFIRS data
- □ Establish a list of certified NFIRS vendors to be posted on SFM website
- Local Fire Departments
 - ♦ What vendor do they use?
- □ +1 fields within NFIRS
 - ◆ For specialized local Fire Department data

- □ Required NFIRS modules
 - ◆ Do we want to add required modules for California?
 - ✓ Possibly wildland fires
- □ A Power Point presentation was given on EMS Vision 2000 project
 - ♦ HIPPA (Health Information Portability and Accountability Act)
 - ♦ Statewide Data System
 - ◆ Coordinate EMS, SFM burn injury reporting?
- □ The CAIRS Advisory Group contact list
 - ♦ We want participants from throughout the state, from a variety of organizations
- The group was asked if there was anyone else the SFM should invite to the next meeting
 - ♦ Stuart Gary, with the League Of Cities was suggested
 - Cal Chiefs Area Directors?
- □ Is there a sub-committee for Volunteer Fire Departments?
- □ The question was asked, do we need to do another Fire Department CFIRS satisfaction survey
 - ♦ It was suggested that we do another survey, but we should make it 10 questions or less
 - ✓ Post it on the SFM website
- □ The group was asked to take the NFIRS module hard copy reports and review them for possible additions or deletions California should require